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T. W. TEASDALE, General Passenger Agent.

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LEAVE	PORTLAND	ARRIVE
8:00 a.m.	Portland Union Depot	11:10 a.m.
7:00 p.m.	Portland Union Depot	9:40 p.m.

ASTORIA

7:45 a.m.	For Portland and Way Points	11:30 a.m.
6:10 p.m.	For Portland and Way Points	10:30 p.m.

SEASIDE DIVISION

9:15 a.m.	Astoria for Warrenton, Flavel, Fort Stevens, Hammond, and Seaside	7:40 a.m.
11:35 a.m.	Astoria for Warrenton, Flavel, Fort Stevens, Hammond, and Seaside	4:00 p.m.
5:50 p.m.	Astoria for Warrenton, Flavel, Fort Stevens, Hammond, and Seaside	10:45 a.m.

6:15 a.m.	Seaside for Warrenton, Flavel, Fort Stevens, Hammond, and Astoria	12:50 p.m.
9:30 a.m.	Seaside for Warrenton, Flavel, Fort Stevens, Hammond, and Astoria	7:20 p.m.
2:30 p.m.	Seaside for Warrenton, Flavel, Fort Stevens, Hammond, and Astoria	9:25 a.m.

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Facilities Have Been Improved

Yukon Basin Transportation Better This Year Than During Past Years.

Dawson, Dec. 23.—The Yukon basin no better supplied with winter transportation this winter than ever before. North of Dawson 500 miles of country never before given winter transportation facilities by an established line is now being supplied by regularly organized and well equipped stage companies.

Heavy two and four-horse rigs run through the famous Forty-Mile country and over the Ketchumstock hills this winter west to the Tanana river, at what is called Tanana crossing. That stretch is operated by Lawrence & Walsh, United States mail contractors.

From White Horse to Dawson a stage a day each way is being maintained by the White Pass.

The staging season between Dawson and Eagle will open tomorrow in full swing. Ben Downing, the mail contractor, has put on a line, and will give a weekly service each way for the present. Double horse teams will be used.

Downing has had a gang of men cut the ice from the trail at his own expense and put it in as good condition as can be expected at the early part of the season. In order to avoid the melting ice caused by the falling of the water in the river the trail, as much as possible, follows down the middle of the river.

A stage will leave Dawson every Tuesday at 8 a. m., arrive at Forty-Mile the evening of the same day, leave Forty-Mile the next morning, and arrive at Eagle Wednesday night. Returning, the stages will leave Eagle at 7 a. m., Fridays and Forty-Mile at 7 a. m., Saturdays, and arrive in Dawson Saturday nights.

This is the second year that Downing has covered the Dawson-Eagle run with stages. He has a contract from the Dominion government for carrying all the lower river mails coming and going to and from Dawson, including those to and from Nome and way points.

At Forty-Mile Lawrence & Walsh's stage line, just completed, makes connections with Downing's rigs twice a month for Tanana crossing and way points in the Forty-Mile country. The line from Forty-Mile town to Tanana crossing is 350 miles long. The run covered by Downing is approximately 100 miles long.

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Praise it.
Improve it.
Talk about it.
Trade at home.
Write about it.
Be public spirited.
Tell of its business men.
Take a home pride in it.
Remember it is your home.
Talk good roads leading to it.
Trade and induce others to trade here.

When strangers come to town treat them well.
Don't call your best citizens frauds and impostors.
Support the local institutions that benefit your town.
Build rural telephone lines out in every direction.
Look ahead of self when all the town is to be considered.
Tell of its business resources and natural advantages.
Help your public officials do the most good for the most people.
Don't forget you live off the people here and should help others as they help you.

Advertise in The Astorian and Daily News and thereby help yourself as well as the town in general.
Carry out these suggestions and you will all have a merry Christmas, a happy New Year and a prosperous future.

Two Steamers Stranded.
Kobe, Dec. 22.—The Japanese Steamship Company's steamers Mutsu and Shinagawa are ashore. It is feared the latter will be a total loss.

To The Public.
Having assumed the management of the saloon known as the La Tosca we beg leave to state that it shall be our aim at all times to sell only the best goods and to assure to all of our patrons courteous treatment. A concert will be given every evening by the best musical talent to be procured on the coast, and in every possible manner we shall endeavor to make our house attractive to the public.

JESSE CHESHIRE
THEO. BRAKKE

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PATRIOTISM IS RUNNING HIGH.

Colombian Women Anxious to Go to the Front in Event of War

Bogota, Dec. 18.—Patriotic meetings are being held here every evening at which contingents of men and sums of money are offered to the government. Even women demand to be enlisted for the purpose of going to Panama to subdue the separatists.

The government only awaits news from General Reyes and if that news is to the effect that nothing can be accomplished by diplomatic means, then the authorities will continue to send troops toward the Isthmus.

A TOUCHING PICTURE.

It is reported from Europe that Princess Elizabeth, of Austria, who shot an actress in her husband's apartments the other day, is insane, says an exchange.

Small wonder.
And this latest tragedy of the "unhappy Hapsburgs" is the end of a love story.

Elizabeth is the granddaughter of the emperor of Austria on her father's side, and on her mother's side the granddaughter of the King of Belgium. A queen's coronet was in waiting for the brow of the princess.

Elizabeth loved a soldier, an officer of the Uhlan. She begged permission to marry him regardless of her prospects. Desired to give up a life of royalty for love.

And so it happened. Two years ago the princess of 18 kneeled before the old gray-haired emperor, her grandfather, and in the presence of the whole court of Austria, pressed to her lips the golden crucifix and murmured the words of the formal oath that put her beyond the pale of royalty—all for the love of a man.

Is there anywhere in history a scene of greater abdication or of a sadder self-sacrifice?

And then her friends gave her jewels and money—a great fortune.

Poor princess.

The man for whom she gave up her queenly prerogatives broke her heart. She stooped to him and he ruined her life. He spent her money in riotous living. So gentle was her nature that there was not a word of reproof for the shameless husband for whom she had stepped down from a throne.

Then came a day when the heartless Otto brought a low actress, with whom he had been consorting in public to his apartments in the old castle at Prague—the home she had given him—under the same roof with his princess wife.

This was too much. The heart-broken young wife could not endure the flagrant offense. She forced her way to the apartments and shot the woman through the heart. Shamed, ruined, outraged, who could blame her?

But oh, the pity of it! For there is always that pathetic picture—you can never chase it from your mind—the picture of the pure maiden, the slip of a girl, a smile of tenderness and of love upon her face, kneeling at the throne of her grandfather, disowning her royalty for the sake of her love.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been by the County Court of Clatsop County, Oregon, duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of May H. Smith, deceased, and letters testamentary have been duly issued to him as such executor. All persons having claims against said deceased are requested to present the same, properly verified, to the undersigned, at Warrenton, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated at Astoria, Oregon, this 19th of December, 1903.

GOLDWIN T. SMITH,
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Executor.
Bring your job work to the Astorian.

In Case of Accident.

Accidents will happen. Mother strains her back lifting a sofa. Father is hurt in the shop. Children are forever falling and bruising themselves. There is no preventing these things, but their worse consequences are averted with Perry Davis' Painkiller. No other remedy approaches it for relief of sore strained muscles. There is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis'.

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Deported Japs Being Watched

Six Men Who Will Return on Indrapura Have no Chance to Escape From Ships.

If the vigilance of a double force of guards can prevent it, the oriental cunning of six Japanese passengers who will be deported on the Indrapura this trip will not be sufficient to add them in effecting their escape from the vessel before she gets out of the Columbia river. Owing to the recent escape of the five little-brown men from the Indrapura, Immigration Inspector Barbour has decided to take no chances on there being a repetition of the occurrence. There will be four guards instead of the customary two, who will accompany the steamer to the mouth of the river.

Mr. Barbour states there is no reasonable doubt now that the Japs who escaped from the Indrapura were drowned. He says that resident Japanese are fully convinced that their recent countrymen found watery graves, and their opinions on matters of this kind are almost invariably correct. Had they succeeded in evading the officers and gaining their liberty, no explanation, their friends on shore would be beaming with unalloyed joy. Instead, however, they are wearing faces donned by the deepest mourners. They are convinced that the porters for freedom are dead.

The six who will be deported include a woman. They failed to pass a satisfactory examination. It was shown that they were travelling on passports which had been service before. The supposition is that they were sent them by other Japanese who preceded them to the United States. From now on it will be impossible for this plan to be successfully worked. Inspector Barbour is introducing a new system by having each of the passports stamped so that any attempt of fraud will be revealed at a glance hereafter. The government of the emperor has not been lessing the coveted passports so freely as was done in the past. It has at last become convinced that the United States is desirous of having immigration from the orient restricted and is endeavoring to win the good graces of the American republic by complying in a measure at least with its desire. Mr. Barbour states that only a limited number of immigrants are issued passports each year by the Japanese government.

Despite the precautions observed by the officers, one of the Japs managed to make his escape last night. The man was handcuffed and four officers were watching the deported men on the ship at the time of the escape. The passenger who got away last night is a criminal and the officers regard him as a dangerous man. Every effort will be made to bring about his capture.

There is a 13-year-old boy who came over on the Indrapura whose fate has not yet been fully decided. He is anxious to go to California, and if any one is found who will stand sponsor for him he will be permitted to go. All the 31 other passengers have been released.

Clergymen's Permits Late.
The transcontinental clergy bureau, which governs the special rates granted to ministers west of Chicago, has notified western lines that the 1903 permits will be respected during the early part of January, but not later than the 31st of the month. Under an agreement entered into over a year ago all permits issued by western lines to clergymen, giving them the special half-fare authorized by the roads for ministers and their families are issued by a special bureau of the Transcontinental Passenger Association. Applications are forwarded, after being properly indorsed, to this bureau, and no tickets are issued by any of the western lines unless one of these permits is presented at the time the purchase is sought. It is customary for the clergymen's permits to be issued late in December, and the officers of western roads expected up to yesterday that they could issue the 1904 permits within a few days, but a circular received at local railroad offices announces that the printers have not yet supplied the 1904 permits. These will not be in the hands of the bureau of officials before January 15, and notice is given by Chairman Charlton, of the Transcontinental Passenger Association, that the 1903 permits will be recognized a month later than usual.